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Planning

Buckinghamshire Highways Services

Buckinghamshire Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Buckinghamshire Highways Services

Reference number

DN546863

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45233000 - Construction, foundation and surface works for highways, roads

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

Buckinghamshire Council (the Council) is the highway authority responsible for maintaining the highway network in Buckinghamshire. This includes the maintenance, renewal and improvement of carriageways, footways, cycleways, structures, drainage systems, restraint systems, lighting, signalling and other associated assets; and the carrying out of winter maintenance services.

The Council currently delivers these services through an integrated services contract of approximately £45M per annum with a private sector partner. This contract is due to expire on 31 March 2023.

The Council has undertaken a fundamental review of how services are to be delivered from 01 April 2023 and has consulted widely with internal and external stakeholders.

The new service delivery model will establish an increased in-house capability including policy setting and asset management. It is intended that this Council team will be supported by a range of contracts with external providers as follows:

1. A Term Maintenance Contract to include routine and reactive maintenance, minor improvement works and winter services. This will be for an initial 8-year term with options to extend by a further 4 years.
2. A Term Consultancy Contract to include design and other professional services. This will be an initial 8-year term with options to extend by a further 4 years.

3. Two separate framework arrangements each of a maximum 4-year duration.

Framework One – Highways Minor Works Framework

Lot 1: Conventional surfacing work

Lot 2: Surface treatments including surface dressing

Lot 3: Minor works (£0.5M)

Full details of these proposed contractual arrangements will appear in the eventual procurement documents which will be made available to economic operators following the launch of the call for competition in due course. The Council reserves the right to amend these proposed arrangements at any time up until the call(s) for competition is(are) issued and after that to the extent it is legally permissible.

The Council is intending to procure these new contracts during 2021 and 2022. The procurement of the Term Maintenance Contract will commence in August 2021 with the procurement of the other contracts to commence shortly thereafter so that all contracts are awarded in sufficient time for mobilisation and commencement from 01 April 2023.

The Council intends to publish contract notices as calls for competition pursuant to Regulations 26(8) and 49 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) on or around the estimated date in II.3 of this notice.

The Council will host a virtual Market Engagement Event at 10.30am to 12 midday on 8th July 2021 at which senior representatives of the Council will provide further details of the proposed model and contracts, the procurement processes and timetables. Participants will also be able to ask questions during and immediately after the event.

Organisations that wish to attend the online event are requested to confirm their interest in attending to BuckinghamshireHighways@buckinghamshire.gov.uk by midday on 7th July. Organisations that confirm their interest by this date will be provided with a link to the online event.

The Council make no guarantees that this PIN and market engagement will be followed with a Contract Notice or Tender or any other procurement opportunity.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 50230000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services related to roads and other equipment
- 71311210 - Highways consultancy services
- 71311220 - Highways engineering services
- 71324000 - Quantity surveying services
- 90630000 - Ice-clearing services
- 90640000 - Gully cleaning and emptying services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Contract for Highways Term Maintenance to include routine and reactive maintenance, minor improvement works and winter services.

Contract for Highways Term Consultancy Contract to include design and other professional services.

Highways Minor Works Framework

Highways Major Works Framework

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Intended initial 8-year term with options to extend by a further 4 years

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

2 August 2021

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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Interested economic operators will not be prejudiced by any response or failure to attend the Market Engagement Event and attendance does not guarantee any invitation to participate in any future public procurement process that may be conducted. The contracting authority is not liable for any costs, expenses or fees incurred by any economic operator in attending the Supplier Engagement event.

The requirements for participation in any procurement for highways services will be set out in a separate contract notice. Please note that this notice is not a call for competition.